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News Headlines

- The GOP is expected to unveil new plans today in the Senate for another CARES bill to provide stimulus for the economy.
- Latest figures show over 16.26M confirmed cases of the coronavirus worldwide with nearly 649K deaths. The U.S. now has over 4.2M confirmed cases with nearly 147K deaths. CT has over 48K cases and 4,413 associated deaths.
- Last week the U.S. closed China's Houston consulate amid spying and intellectual property theft allegations. China shut down the U.S. consulate in Chengdu in response to U.S. actions.

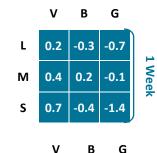
Economic News

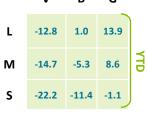
- The U.S. DOL's report on new jobless claims for the week ending July 18 came in at 1,416,000, up 109,000 from the prior week's revised level of 1,376,750. This is the first weekly rise since March and jobless claims were higher than expected.
- The National Association of Realtors reported that U.S. existing home sales rose at a record pace of 20.7% in June to a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 4.72 million units. Year-over-year sales are down 11.3%, from June 2019 when the seasonally adjusted annualized rate was 5.32 million units.

Key Commodity Prices

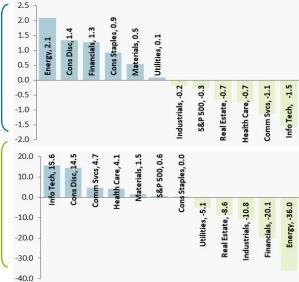
	Close	1 yr Ago
Dom Crude Oil (bbl)-NYMEX	41.29	56.20
Natural Gas (MMBtu)	1.87	2.15
Gold (oz)	1,898	1,419
Platinum (oz)	928	868
Copper (lb)	2.89	2.74
Coffee (lb)	1.01	1.01
Cotton (lb)	0.57	0.60
Corn (bu)	3.14	4.14
Soybeans (bu)	8.87	8.59

Equity Style Returns





S&P 500 Sector Returns



Fixed Income Returns

	Short	Int	Long	ı
Gov	0.0	0.1	0.4	
Cor	0.2	0.6	1.9	1 Week
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	Short	Int	Long	
Gov	4.3	8.8	12.9	
Cor	3.9	7.3	12.8	T TD
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Key Currency Exchange Rates

US\$ to buy Canadian Dollar	0.745
US\$ to buy Euro	1.166
US\$ to buy U.K. Pound	1.279
Yen to buy US\$	105.980

Treasury Yield Curve



Major Market Returns

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US Equities	Closing	1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
Dow Jones	26,470	-0.74	-6.00	-0.53	11.24
S&P 500	3,216	-0.27	0.62	8.62	11.36
NASDAQ	10,363	-1.33	16.10	25.82	16.58
Foreign & REIT		1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
MSCI EAFE NR		0.41	-7.31	-1.00	2.75
MSCI EM NR		0.56	-3.42	2.96	5.59
FTSE Nareit - AL	L REITS	-0.63	-15.34	-9.62	5.28
Bonds		1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
BBgBarc Agg Bo	nd	0.41	7.40	9.91	4.47
1-3 Mth T-Bill ETF SPDR		0.00	0.41	1.19	0.98
BBgBarc US High Yield		1.56	-0.13	3.44	5.80
BBgBarc US TIPS		0.46	7.68	9.64	4.12
ML Global Broad Mrkt		1.14	5.83	7.27	4.16
Consumer Manou Potes					

Consumer Money Rates

Interest Rate	Last	Wk Ago	1 Yr Ago
Federal-funds rate target	0.00-0.25	0.00-0.25	225-250
Prime rate*	3.25	3.25	5.50
Libor, 3-month	0.24	0.27	2.26
Money market, annual yield	0.26	0.26	0.68
Five-year CD, annual yield	0.70	0.70	1.82
30-year mortgage, fixed	3.14	3.16	3.91
15-year mortgage, fixed	2.71	2.73	3.33
Jumbo mortgages, \$484,850-plus	3.18	3.21	4.24
Five-year adj mortage (ARM)	3.06	3.07	4.45
New-car loan, 48-month	4.26	4.26	4.65
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^{*} Base rate posted by 70% of the nation's largest banks



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